

NORTHERN SPORTS FIELDS COMPLEX AND PARK COORDINATION
&
OVERSIGHT AD HOC COMMITTEE

Minutes of Meeting for 10 July 2003, 7:00 PM - Approved
Marshall Community Center Annex, Marshall, VA

1. Call to Order and Opening Remarks

The July 10, 2003 meeting of the Northern Sports Fields Complex and Park Coordination and Oversight Committee (NSFC) was called to order by Harry Atherton, Chairman, at 7:00 PM.

Committee Members and Staff Present:

Harry Atherton, Board of Supervisors
Marie Glascock, Scott District
George Downes, Jr., FYSCC
Randy Wheeler, Deputy County Administrator
Larry Miller, Director, Parks & Rec
Bob Sinclair, Planning Commission
David Graham, Parks & Rec Board
Cynthia Hair, Staff

2. Adoption of the Agenda

The agenda was adopted by acclaim.

3. Adoption of the Minutes of 5/08/03

The minutes of the 5/8/03 meeting were adopted by acclaim.

4. Project Design Update

Mr. Atherton said that in the next week or so the drill rigs will be back on site to continue drilling.

Mr. Atherton said the Mellon Estate representative has become seriously engaged in the project and for understandable reasons she wants a finished project that Mr. Mellon would be proud of, and so work continues on the design elements to make the park as nice as possible. This doesn't mean things will be removed from the design plan, but some things may be relocated in an effort to make the park as attractive as possible.

5. Discussion of Pool Lights & Night Use of Pool

Mr. Atherton asked committee members to make a decision on this subject. Mr. Wheeler pointed out that even though the County's pool at Vint Hill is not in operation at night, the pool can be lit and used if rented or for special events. Mr. Atherton said he would like to minimize night activities at the pool for security purposed and also in an effort not to disturb neighbors.

Mr. Graham said he has had requests for extended hours through Parks and Recreation. He said that now is the time to install the pool lights and include them in the current budget, not to add them later when perhaps there would be no money to do the job. He said there has also been talk of swim teams that mostly meet in evenings due to students' school and parents' work schedules.

Mr. Sinclair agreed with Mr. Graham and noted the comfort level of having a lighted pool. He said the Lone Oak pool in Marshall has lights and area residents are used to it and would be comfortable with lights at the new pool.

Mr. Sinclair moved that the pool facility include lights. Mr. Graham seconded the motion which passed 4 – 1.

6. Amendment(s) to Contract with FYSCC

Mr. Atherton said the County has sent a proposal to the sports council for their review but the Council has not responded at this time. Mr. Downes said the next Council meeting is scheduled for next Tuesday and a response to the Board of Supervisors would be forthcoming.

7. Roundtable

- Mrs. Glascock said she felt use of the pool at night could be controlled and lights were good for security.
- Mr. Miller distributed copies of a letter to Ms. Wolford (PHRA) from Clanton regarding the baseball field lights.
- Mr. Wheeler discussed the disagreement between Nancy Clanton and Little League Baseball (LLB) on the Level 4 lighting for the baseball field. Ms. Clanton still believes Level 4 is appropriate, but LLB required Level 3 for tournament use. Mr. Wheeler said that a decision needs to be made soon. Mr. Atherton said that the Sports Council needs to be engaged and to get their feeling on the subject.

8. Set Next Meeting Date

The next regular committee meeting is **tentatively** scheduled for 7:00 PM, Thursday, August 14, 2003, at the Marshall Community Center Library.

9. Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 7:40 PM.